

Clawson Opposes the Present Selection— Dunbar and Thompson Favor It—Tay- lor Defends His Department.

stable event occurred on Thursday afternoon in celebration of the recovery of the birthdays of the late H. H. Young and Mrs. Jane Richardson. The date of both being on the same with a difference of only two years between them, Mrs. Young having been born on Jan. 30th 1821, and Mrs. Jane Richardson Jan. 30th 1822. The celebration took place at the residence of Mrs. and Mrs. F. S. Richardson and a large number of the friends and friends of the esteemed subjects of the event given in their

President Taft declared the satisfaction of the commission over the fact that the governing body of the Federal party had unanimously subscribed to what all had individually expressed, namely, that religious issues be kept apart from party.

Speaking of the provincial government bill, President Taft said that a communication had come from the military governor to the effect that some of the provinces were ready for the establishment of civil government. At present, President Taft said, the provincial governments would be subordin-

General election ballot on United States senator resulted as follows:

Allen (Fusion), 44; Hitchcock (Fusion), 18; W. H. Thompson, (Fusion), 7; Meredith, (Fusion), 23; D. E. Thompson, 31; Meiklejohn, 24; Hinshaw, 13; Rosewater, 17; Currie, 20; scattering, 34.

Salem, Oregon, Feb. 1.—The senatorial ballot today was as follows: Corbett, 2; Smith, 26; McBride, 19; Hermann, 2; Moore, 2; Fulton, 2; Williams, 2; Jewell, 1; not voting, 1.

The senate adopted a concurrent resolution inviting President McKinley to

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At a meeting of the ministers, a conference with the Chinese plenipotentiaries, which is to take place next week and in which the punishments demanded will be verbally communicated, was ranked
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